

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to FORCE their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary, days before the election, is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation, and why this practice should be disallowed NOW!

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get ONLY what's good for the bottom line, and what is the CORPORATE PHILOSOPHY, and less of what we need and deserve for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter to us locally!

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules to preclude mass ownership of dozens of nationwide stations, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. How about doing your job and disallowing Sinclair's renewing the massive numbers of stations that it is exhibiting a stranglehold over, to the detriment of the public! Thank you.